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Executive Director Sandra Fitzpatrick

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Fullerton Senior Multi-Service Center Fullerton, California

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2008

I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Esquivel called the meeting to order at 11:15 p.m. Commissioner Goode led the pledge of allegiance.

II. Roll Call, Determine Excused and Unexcused Absences, Establish Quorum

Commissioners Present: Lily Chen, Jim Davis, Celia Esquivel, Shannon Glavaz, Erica Goode, Karen Josephson, Hank Lacayo, Richard Lundin, Sharon Monck, Hav Staggs, Donna Ueland, Leah Wyman, Benny Yee

Commissioners Excused: Connie Chang, Mike DeNunzio, Cheryl Phillips, Jon Pynoos,

Thomas Rowe, Andy Scharlach

Commissioners Absent: Carlos Rodriguez **Staff:** Sandra Fitzpatrick, Carol Sewell

Guests: E. Thomas Brewer

III. Introductions

The Commissioners briefly introduced themselves.

IV. Welcome by Dee Erman, Chair Orange County Office on Aging Advisory Council Ms. Erman welcomed Commission to Fullerton and introduced other members of the Orange County AAA Advisory Council in the audience.

V. Approve Agenda

The December 3, 2008 meeting agenda was reviewed.

M/S/C (Lacayo/Monck)

TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER 3, 2008 CCOA MEETING AGENDA.

VI. Approve Minutes from October 15, 2008 CCoA Meeting.

The minutes of the October 15, 2008 CCOA meeting were reviewed. Executive Director Fitzpatrick recommended striking a non-agendized motion that was made during commissioner reports.

M/S/C (Josephson/Davis)

TO STRIKE THE NON-AGENDIZED MOTION INCLUDED IN THE OCTOBER COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS. (4 abstentions)

M/S/C (Josephson/Wyman)

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 15, 2008 CCOA MEETING AS AMENDED. (4 abstentions)

VII. Public Comment None

The chair recessed the meeting at 11:30 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 1:17 p.m.

VIII. Executive Committee Report

A. Meeting of November 3, 2008

1. Appointment of Nominating Committee

Commissioner Esquivel reported on the appointment of Commissioner Scharlach as Chair and Connie Chang and Donna Ueland as members of the Nominating Committee.

Commissioner Esquivel announced her nomination of Hank Lacayo as Advocacy & Policy Committee Chair and Tom Rowe as chair of the Bylaws & Operational Procedures Committee.

B. Meeting of December 3, 2008

1. Proposed Bylaws Amendment

Commissioner Esquivel reported the Committee's motion to leave the Bylaws as written.

M/S/C - (Lacayo/Josephson)

TO KEEP CCOA BYLAWS AS CURRENTLY WRITTEN.

2. Op-Ed Piece Discussion

Commissioner Davis reviewed the Executive Committee's motion to establish a two-person committee to identify a priority issue from each meeting, to draft a media release for the Executive Director to either approve, recommend amendments, or to send to Chair or Vice Chair with a recommendation not to run particular release. After one year, the process would be reviewed for continuation or not.

M/S/C (Lacayo/Staggs)

TO ADOPT THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION TO ESTABLISH A MEDIA RELEASE PROCEDURE USING A TWO PERSON COMMITTEE.

Discussion followed regarding the issue of assembling a quorum and the difficulty of planning meetings when attendance is inconsistent.

IX. Presentation: Elder Abuse & Neglect Initiative - Phase I Results Speaker: E. Thomas Brewer, MSW, MPH, Director of Programs, Archstone Foundation

Brewer provided an overview of the Archstone Foundation's Elder Abuse initiative investing \$8 million statewide over 5 years to improve quality/coordination/services of elder abuse victims or those at risk.

X. Unfinished Business

A. Accessible Housing: Issue Brief/Media conference with the State Independent Living Council

Fitzpatrick reported on plans for a joint press conference with the SILC the following day on the release of the Accessible Housing report. Dr. Pynoos will represent the Commission.

B. Senior Center Initiative

Commissioner Monck provided an overview of the Senior Center Initiative. She credited the Advisory Panel and staff for their planning efforts and reviewed purpose of senior center forum.

Fitzpatrick acknowledged Commissioner Monck's strong leadership in chairing the Advisory Panel and presented an overview of the slide presentation being used to promote the Forum around the State.

C. State Plan on Aging Update

Commissioner Ueland reported the committee will meet with CDA staff on the State Plan on Aging at the February meeting.

XI. New Business

A. 2008-09 State Budget Update

Fitzpatrick reported on the State Budget and efforts to address the shortfall at the Capitol.

B. Public Hearing Schedule for 2009 (handout)

Fitzpatrick presented on 2009 public hearing schedule and topics as developed by Chair of the Public Hearing Committee.

M/S/C (Josephson/Glavaz)

TO APPROVE THE PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE FOR 2009.

C. Advocacy & Policy Committee Report

1. Proposed Legislation by Aging Advocates

Sewell reported on 2009 legislative proposals from senior advocacy organizations.

2. California Senior Legislature 2008 Top Ten Priorities

CSL's top 10 proposals were reviewed.

3. Meeting with Lieutenant Governor Garamendi and proposed briefing for new State Legislators

Staff provided an overview of meeting with the Lt. Governor and his offer of his office for a meeting with new legislators and the Commission.

M/S/C (Lacayo/Davis)

TO ACCEPT THE ADVOCACY & POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT.

Discussion followed regarding possibility of meeting with new legislators.

M/S/C (Monck/Lundin)

FOR CCOA TO HOLD MEETINGS WITH NEW LEGISLATORS FOLLOWING EVERY ELECTION, WITH SPECIFICS TO BE DETERMINED.

D. Nominating Committee Report

1. Election Guidelines

Commissioner Ueland reported that Nominating Committee met on November 14 and nominated the following commissioners to the CCoA Executive Committee:

Chairman -- Jim Davis

Vice Chair -- Hav Staggs

Member at Large -- Karen Josephson

Member at Large -- Donna Ueland

Advocacy & Policy Committee Chair - Hank Lacayo

Bylaws & Operational Procedures Committee Chair - Tom Rowe

M/S/C (Yee/Chen)

TO ACCEPT THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT.

E. Election of 2009 Executive Committee

Commissioner Esquivel asked for nominations from the floor for Chair; none offered. Commissioner Davis was elected Chair unanimously.

Commissioner Esquivel asked for nominations from the floor for Vice Chair; none offered. Commissioner Staggs elected unanimously.

Commissioner Esquivel asked for nominations from the floor for Chair of Advocacy & Policy Committee; none offered. Commissioner Lacayo elected unanimously.

Commissioner Esquivel asked for nominations from the floor for Chair of Bylaws & Operational Procedures Committee; none offered. Commissioner Rowe elected with one abstention.

Commissioner Esquivel asked for nominations from the floor for the at-large members of Executive Committee; none offered. Commissioners Josephson and Ueland elected unanimously.

Lacayo motioned that the Commission thank Commissioner Esquivel for her service; Davis seconded. Fitzpatrick noted that the opportunity to express appreciation would take place in February.

XII. Executive Director's Report

A. Activity Report

Executive Director Fitzpatrick referred commissioners to activity report in packet.

B. Correspondence

Fitzpatrick reviewed correspondence from CHHS Secretary Belshé regarding participation on the Olmstead Committee.

C. Financial Statement

Fitzpatrick reviewed CCoA's financial statements.

XIII. Incoming Chair's Comments

Davis expressed gratitude for the opportunity to serve as Chair and discussed his philosophy of management and vision for CCoA's leadership.

XIV. Outgoing Chair's Comments

Commissioner Esquivel said it had been an honor to serve as Chair for two years and noted positive changes in the Commission over her six years of membership. She credited staff for their work and Vice Chair Davis for his assistance and ability to step in to help at any time.

XV. Next Meeting: February 3-4, 2009, Sacramento

XVI. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 3:52 p.m.